

Remarks/Arguments

Entry of the present amendment and reconsideration of all claims remaining of record as presently amended are respectfully requested. Claims 1-22 are currently pending.

By this amendment, Independent claims 1 and 10 are amended to incorporate the VOIP features of dependent claims 4 and 12. Claims 4, 12 and 16-28 are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Independent claims 1, 6, 10, 11 and 14 are also amended to more particularly point out and distinctly claim Applicants' invention. In addition, use of terms such as "capable of", "may" and "may be" in Applicant's claims is eliminated to obviate the Examiner's rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

The rejection of claims 10, 11, 16-19, 21 and 22 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Petrie et al. (U.S. Patent 6,882,904) in view of Ying (U.S. Patent 6,757,521) is respectfully traversed. Applicants respectfully contend that neither Petrie et al. nor Ying, considered either alone or together, teach or suggest the particular features of applicants' invention as set forth in independent claims 10 and 16 as presently amended and upon which the remaining rejected claims depend. For example, neither Petrie et al. nor Ying, considered either alone or together, teach or suggest a system or arrangement *that enables a mobile user roving on site at a power plant location remote from a network server computer system to engage in voice communications with other users coupled to the system through the use of VOIP communications* in addition to having the ability to communicating wirelessly with a gas turbine controller and/or a network server/database in order to perform service engineering work processes including uploading and/or downloading computer software applications and data for performing inspection, operation or control of one or more gas turbine processes, as presently set forth in Applicants' amended independent claims. Moreover, no teaching has been provided that

suggests the obviousness of modifying the communications network of Petrie et al. to contain a VOIP gateway as claimed. Applicants respectfully contend that even if Petrie et al. and Perkins et al. could be considered "analogous art", as alleged in the Office Action, that alone would not be sufficient motivation to combine the references.

In addition, in regard to Applicants' dependent claim 11, Applicants respectfully contend that neither Petrie et al. nor Ying '521, considered either alone or together, teach or suggest the claimed terrestrial satellite communications system communicatively coupled to a LAN for transmitting and receiving signals to and from at least one wireless communications access point interface.

The rejection of claims 1-9 and 12-15 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Petrie et al. in view of Ying, in view of Perkins et al. (U.S. Patent 6,496,477) is also respectfully traversed. For at least the reasons set forth above, neither Petrie et al. nor Ying, considered either together or alone, teach or suggest all of the features set forth in applicants' independent claims 1 and 10. Perkins et al., considered either alone or in combination with Petrie et al. and Ying, also fails to teach or suggest a system or arrangement having a VOIP gateway for *enabling a mobile user roving on site at a power plant location to engage in voice communications with other users communicatively coupled to the LAN or network server system through the use of VOIP communications*, as set forth in Applicants' independent claims 1 and 10 as presently amended. Dependent claims 2-9 and 12-15 are dependent upon either claim 1 or 10 and incorporate the limitations therein. Consequently, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1-15 are patentable over the individual and combined teachings of Petrie et al., Ying and Perkins et al. and should be allowed.

In view of Applicant's foregoing remarks, it is believed that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and allowance of this application are respectfully solicited. If any small matter remains outstanding, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below or on the following page.

Respectfully submitted,

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